



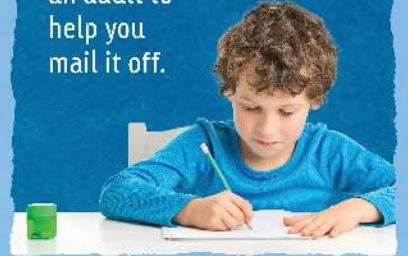
Memorize a Bible passage one verse at a time. If you picked Romans

12:9-18, for example, you'd memorize Romans 12:9 the first week, verse 10 the next week, and so on.

Is there a new family in your neighborhood or maybe a kid on your block who doesn't seem to have many friends? Ask your parents to help you meet any neighbors you don't know. Maybe your family could plan a Fourth of July potluck, and you could make colorful invitations to give to everyone who lives on your street.



If your family sponsors a child, draw a picture for him or her. You could draw your pet, your family, yourself or your favorite food. Then ask an adult to help you mail it off.



# A Summer That Matters!



Make the most of this summer! There are people to help, verses to memorize, and cultures to explore! Here are ideas.



Volunteer at your local food bank, a place that collects food for people in need. Have an adult call or go to the food bank's website to see what types of volunteer jobs your family can do — jobs like packing food into boxes, sorting canned goods, or cleaning.

With an adult, go to [compassion.com/fun-recipes-for-kids.htm](http://compassion.com/fun-recipes-for-kids.htm), where you'll see lots of recipes from around the world.



Choose some recipes to make with your family this summer. Research the country each meal comes from, and share what you learned when you sit down to eat.



Ask your Sunday school teacher or pastor to help you organize a fundraising car wash in your church parking lot. First, decide who you want to raise money for — maybe a charity you care about or a mission group at your church. Then spread the word about the fundraiser and take donations from drivers who get their cars washed.



Make or find a calendar you can write on. Write down or draw someone or something you want to pray about in each space for summer. Check the calendar each day.



For a printable calendar of more summer ideas, go to [compassion.com/kids-magazine/summer-activities-for-kids.htm](http://compassion.com/kids-magazine/summer-activities-for-kids.htm).